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## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application: Rapoport

U.S. Serial No. 08/482,402

CPA Filed: 06/07/95

For: DISEASE ASSOCIATED HUMAN AUTOANTIBODIES SPECIFIC FOR HUMAN THYROID PEROXIDASE

Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231 allowed: 05/01/2002 batch: 2315 Group Art Unit 1642

Examiner: S. Ungar

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## PETITION FOR REINSTATEMENT OF IMPROPERLY ABANDONED APPLICATION

Dear Sir

This petition is responsive to a *Notice of Abandonment* of the above-identified application, mailed on September 16, 2002, and received in our offices on September 20, 2002. A copy of the *Notice* is enclosed for convenience.

The *Notice* indicates that the application was abandoned for applicant's failure to timely pay the required issue fee within the statutory period of three months from the mailing date of the Notice of Allowance dated May 1, 2002; therefore, due August 1, 2002.

However, an authorization for payment of the issue fee by PTO Deposit account No. 13-5135 was mailed to the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office on July 18, 2002. A copy of the Part B - Fee Transmittal, and a copy of the postcard with the PTO recupt date of July 24, 2002 stamped on it, is enclosed. The issue fee was filed within the three-month response period.

Applicant respectfully requests that the application be reingstated, and placed in condition for issuance.

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It is our understanding that no fee is required. However, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any deficient payment of fees associated with this communication or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 13-5135.

Respectfully submitted,

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